THE FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS

BENATOR MCPHERSON SPEAKS ON HIS SILVER REPEAL RESOLUTION.

Ma Characterizes the Sherman Act as a Par tions Makeshift-No Action on the Quarentine Bill-The District Appropriation Bill Passed-Mr. Bynum Wants an Investigation of the Civil Service Commission.

WASHINGTON, Jan. O. - At the close of the routine morning business in the Senate to-day the joint resolution introduced on Dec. 21 by Mr. Mcl'herson (Dem., N. J.), authorizing and directing the Secretary of the Treasury to suspend all purchases of silver bullion under the act of July 14, 1890, was taken up, and Mr. McPherson addressed the Senate. The text of his speech (which he sent to the Clerk's dosk and had read) was the plank in the last Demoeratic National Convention denouncing the Sherman bill as a cowardly makeshift, and declaring that that legislation must be repealed. It was on the strength of that pledge, he said, that more than 100 electoral votes were given to Mr. Cleveland, not one of which he could have received without it, and now that the Democratic party was soon to be in absolute control of the legislative and Executive departments of the Government in all its branches, the people depledge was to be fulfilled. In obedience to that demand the distinguished Senator from New York (Mr. Hill) had introduced a bill to repeal the Sherman act. As a foil to that bill the distinguished Senator from Nevada (Mr. Stewart) again vaulted into the arena, with all his old-time vigor, with "the dollar of the daddles" and open mints. He did so as the directly responsible representative, it was to be assumed, of the new party, which he had done so much to create, and with scalps of liepublican statesmen hanging at his beit

The Sherman law, Mr. McPherson said, was a mere Republican contrivance, invented and intended to hold the silver-producing States of the West (then wavering in their allegiance) firmly in the liepublican column. The public interest had been thus sacrificed to partisan

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Mr. Stewart (Rep., Nev.) asked how he would correct the deficiency in gold.

Mr. McPherson replied that he would utilize all the gold which the Government had, and prevent its being hoarded. He would leave gold in circulation. He would then stop the purchase of silver absolutely. In his opinion, the true answer, the only answer, would be found in reversing the silver policy of the Government. Bimetallism would never venture forth from any European States until demand was made, not in resolutions or in piteous appeals, but in positive aggressive action. The Government should huy no silver and coin none until the effect of such action should determine the future monetary policy of European States. and coin near that the cheef of such action about determine the future monetary policy of European States.

As soon as he had concluded his argument.
Mr. Aldrich (Rep., R. I.) gave notice of his intention to offer a substitute for Mr. McPherson's resolution. It was read by the Clerk as follows:

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That the United States bereby affirms its purpose to maintain a parity in the value of the United States netes and United States Treasury notes issued under authority of law; and to insure the maintenance of such parity an adequate reserve of gold coin shall ar all times he held in the Treasury of the United States, and if at any time, in the opinion of the President, the amount of such reserve shall be insufficient, the amount of such reserve shall be insufficient of the President, shall forthwith a simple in the state of the President of the Intervalent, shall forthwith the same being of a form and sold in the mainter prescribed in the third section of the next approved dam 14, 1876, and entitled "An act to provide for the resonaption of apecte payments," busyment for such bonds being made in gold coin. The President of the United States is further authorized, if in his opinion such action is necessary to secure the continuance of silver building required to be made by the act of study is such action in hecessary to secure the continuance of silver building required to be made by the act of July 14, 1880, entitled "An act directing the purchases of silver building required to the made by the act of July 14, 1880, entitled "An act directing the purchases."

The reading having been fluished. Mr. Aldrich began to speak, but was interrupted by Mr. Harris (Dem., Tenn.) with a demand for

which the Senator asks?

Mr. Aldrich—I ask that the joint resolution and the pending amendments be taken up tomorrow morning at the conclusion of the morning business, and that at 2 o'clock a vote shall be taken upon them without further

shall be taken upon them without further debate.

Mr. Daniel (Dem., Va.)—I object.

Mr. Teller (Rep., Col.) declared with much emphasis that those who wanted to stop the purchase of silver bullion under the Sherman act night butt their heads against the wall as much as they chose, but they had not got the vote in the Senate or in the House to repeal that law. It could not be repealed in this Congress. That was morally certain. They might as well arrange their financial affairs and their financial views with the full understanding that they were impotent to touch that act between this and the 4th of March; and in his judgment, they would be no more likely to do it after the 4th of March than they we before.

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The joint resolution then went over without action and without any agreement, and the quarantine bill was taken up.

Mr. Chandler (Rep. N. H.), referring to the remarks, which he made last Friday about the finders of the third wholly represent the press of the United Flates, but that on the contrary out of some 1 do correspondents in Washington, only thirty or forly were members of the Gridien Club. He did not know whether an apology was desired, because he had ande no allusion to the club that was not complimentary, and therefore helind no apology to make.

Mr. White Dem., La.) offered an amendment to the third section (which was agreed to adding the words: "All rules and regulations hade by the Secretary of the Treasury shall oppate uniformly, and in o manner discriminate against any port or place."

Mr. White also offered an amendment providing that all the provisions of the bill shall expire on Jan. I. 1855. No disposition had been made of the bird after the routine morning business to-morrow the Quarantine bill would be faken up and continued, at least till 2 o'clock, when the Anti-Options bill will have the right of way. It was also agreed that the McGarrahan bill should go over till Wednesday in the morning hour.

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The House, after the passage of a few private measures, resumed the consideration of the District of Columbia Appropriation bill, the pending motion being that made by Mr. De Armond (Dem., Mo.) to recommit the bill. with instructions to the Committee on Appropriations to report it back with an amendm providing that one-quarter (and not one-half) of the expenditures for the support of the District shall be borne by the general Government. The motion was defeated-year 62, pays 154-and the bill was then passed.

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Mr. Watson (Pop., Ga.) introduced a bill to create the office of national inspector of cotton and grain, to provide for the issuance of certificates of debusit and for the issuance of Post Office money orders thereon, and to provide for the nayment of such orders.

Mr. Bynum (Dem., Ind.) offered a resolution directing the Civil Service Commission to furnish the names of all appointees reinstated in this classified service of the Government since darch 4, 1883, the cause of their separation from the service the States to which they were clarged at the time of their separation, and the States to which they were clarged at the time of their separation, and the States to which they were clarged at the time of their separation, and the States to which they were credited upon their reinstatement.

Mr. Bynum explained the intent of this resolution by saying that a number of employees under the classified service had been discharged for cause and had been reinstated. This was against the rules, which distinctly provide that such employees, dismissed from the Government service for insdemeanor, should not be reinstated. He said that cases were known where men had been out of the classified service for more than one year and had been restored to duty. This was another intraction of the rules. Another matter he desired explained was why these men were placed upon the rolls of departments other than the one in which they originally worked.

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The liouse then proceeded to the consideration of District business. The first bill called
the was that to authorize the Norfolk and
western liadronal Company to extend its lines
into the District of Columbia. The advocates
of the measure took the ground that the city
of Washington was entitled to larger ratiroad
facilities, and intimated (though they did not
expressly clarge) that the opposition emanated from the Pennsylvania Railronal Company. This charge its opponents denied, and
antagenized the measure principally on the
fround that it would increase the grade crossings in the District.

Opposition to the measure was so vigorous
that the House at 5:20 took a recess until
11-45 to-morrow (thus continuing the legislative day), when the District Committee hopes
to secure the passage of the bill.

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150 GIRLS IN PERIL

At a Lively Four-planm Fire in Elizabeth

The six-storp from and frame building front ing seventy-five feet on Elizabeth street at 43. 45, and 47, and extending back 100 feet into ments, went up in flame and smoke vesterday pled by Frederick Goll for a furniture ware house, and the three upper floors were divided between the Altman Summer Neckwear Company and the neckwear firm of Berliner Strauss & Denzer. About 600 girls were employed making neckties in these two establishments.

It was just past 8 o'clock when the flames were discovered, and the piece workers had not arrived yet. About 150 girls were on the two top floors, however, and there was panic among them at once. The fire originated in one of the furniture warerooms on the third floor, and so quickly filled the halls with smoke that few of the girls were able to escape by the stairs. Sam Bernstein, the elevator man, did his duty bravely till the smoke stopped him. He took down three big elevator loads

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Most of the girls ran for the fire escapes in the rear. The smoke by that time was rouring up from below, and they were so terrified that their shrieks could be heard in the streets, where the belief prevailed that an awful tragedy was enacting. The lire escapes on the back of the building were connected by bridges with the rear of 194 and 50 Mott street, occupied by H. Wallach's Sons, shirt manufacturers. Some of the girls crossed the bridges and escaped into Mott street. Others had run up the ladder leading to the roof of the burning building and were soon on top, where they should for help. The men in M. F. & F. & Schrenkeiser's furniture warehouse next door, at 49, 51, and 53 Elizabeth street, opened their tran door and let the girls down that way.

The life proved one of the flergest down-town blazes since the Bleecker street fire. Four alarms were sent out in rapid succession, and the entire block was quickly surrounded with engines and water towers. No attempt was made to save any of the stock in the burn-ing building. The firmes filled every floor in a few minutes. The firemen attacked through buildings on Canal and Mott atreets princi-pally. Lines were run through every floor of

panies by water. Chief Bonner's rought acties and his rapid mastery of the fire, however, was the saving of the phock, and brought forth the hearty praise for the department from the insurance men present.

When the walls fell about 0 o'clock, several buildings on Canal street were injured. The buildings at the corner, 167 Canal, which backed against the south side of the Comins building, is occupied by J. B. Ryer, Son & Co., dealers in expensive upholstering fabrics. A mass of brick fell on the roof and smashed it, letting in water enough to ruin \$5,000 worth of goods. The building to the west, 169 Canai, was occupied by the Archer Manufacturing Company as warerooms for the barber shop and store and office furniture which they make. The roof was badly broken by the falling wall and a great deal of furniture on the top floor destroyed. Water poured in and did other damage, enough to make the loss \$6,000 in all.

The entire rear of 171 Canal street was cut down 25 feet by the falling wall. This is occupied by three concerns. The Walter Haywood Chair Company bas the ground floor and basement. Alex Fielder, a dealer in upholsering goods, has the top floor. The intermediate floors are used by the Trenton Spring Mattress Company as salesrooms. The rear end of each floor was carried down into the cellar with overything it contained. The Haywood Company will lose \$2,000 and the others \$1,000 each. The damage to the building is considerable.

The loss of the George T. Comins Company of 1.73 Canal street is about \$5,000. Mr. James & Iose is easily \$10,000. Frederick Goll lost stock worth \$30,000. The loss on the stock of H. Wallach's Sons on Mott street is stated by the police at \$20,000. The loss on the stock of H. Wallach's Sons on Mott street is stated by the police at \$20,000. The loss on the stock of H. Wallach's Sons on Mott street is stated by the police at \$20,000. The loss on the stock of H. Wallach's Sons on Mott street is stated by the tenents on Mott street which backed upon the blaze, became terrilled and b

Arrested for Breaking Through the Fire

victed in Brooklyn in November of murder in the first degree for having assisted at the cruel killing of Mary Werthelman's baby by strangling it and throwing it in Newtown Creek, and would have been executed in Sing Sing last month had not the case been carried to the Court of Appeals. Yesterday Adam Paas, aged 20, who was indicted with Schultz for the killing, was placed on trial. The evidence is substantially the same as on the previous trial. It was from Hans's house that the baby was carried to the creek.

Bridgemen Want More Pay.

A petition was presented yesterday to Bridge President James Howell on behalf of the policemen and conductors. The former get \$1,051.20 a year and also their uniforms, and \$1.051.20 a year and also their uniforms, and they now want \$1.100 a year and their full pay to go on whether they are sick or not. The conductors want their pay increased from \$2.70 to \$3 day, and also that they should be paid at that rate for overtime when their work extends beyond the eight-hour limit. The positions would have been presented at the regular meeting of the trustees yesterday had enough been on hand to form a quorum, but they will come up at the February meeting.

Mrs. Harrington Almost Restored to Health Mrs. Etta Harrington, who shot herself after an unsuccessful attempt to win back the friendship of Sadie Carsons, with whom she had lived for ten years, is still in the Harlem Hospital, but she will probably be discharged cured this week. She still refuses to talk about her attempted suicide or the causes that led to it. When she leaves the hospital Mra. Harrington will be arraigned in the Harlem Court to answer a charge of attempted suicide.

Commissioner Brennan's Dilemma.

Commissioner Brennan completed the work of removing the snow from Broadway and the did not remove it from Fifth avenue because of numerous petitions from persons who desired the sleighing on that ther ughtare to be preserved. Now he is listening to complaints from shopkeners and business seen generally on the avenue who desire the snow removed. principal ferry streets on Sunday evening. He

Manager Comstock Flued. In the Court of Special Sessions yesterday Manager Alexander Comstock of Niblo's Theatre pleaded guilty of allowing Katie Hughes, a minor, to appear without a license in a play called "Manhood." He was fined \$5. Mr. Comstock explained that he had applied for a license, but that he did not receive it until after his arrest. LIVE WASHINGTON TOPICS.

ACTION OF THE HOUSE BANKING COM-MITTEE ON THE SILVER QUESTION.

They Reject a Free Columns Measure and Vote to Report a Bill to Repeal the Sherman Act-Senators Kyle and Peffer to Act With the Democrats in Organizing the Next Senate-Ex-Speaker Reed Explains How He Counted a Quorum With Nearly All of the Democrats in the Clonk Room,

Washington, Jan. 9.—The House Committee on Banking and Currency to-day voted to report the Andrew Banking and Bultion Purchase Repeal bill, together with the Cate amendment for the colonage of silver bullion now in the Treasury. This was done in pursuance of the plan of the opponents of the Sherman Silver law to get a repeal bill on the calendar at the earliest possible moment in order to work out practical legislation at this session if possible. All propositions involving delay were voted down. Another significant feature of the meeting was that a motion by Mr. Cox of Tennessee to carry out the State bank plank in the Chicago plat-

Mr. Townsend of Colorado offered the Stew-Mr. Townsend then moved that the committee to be heard before the committee, and that the Mint, and others be asked to appear. The majority evidently were opposed to all delay. and the motion was defeated by 8 to 4. The Cate amendment was then adopted by the same vote, and then Mr. Cale was authorized to report the bill as agreed to by a vote of 8

same vote, and then Mr. Cate was authorized to report the bill as agreed to by a vote of 8 to 3.

The members who voted in favor of the bill were Bacon. Wike. Cate. Dickerson. Sperry, Cobb. Walker of Massachusetts, and Russell of Connecticut. Those voting against it were Mesers. Cox of Tennessee. Kendall, and Townsend. Mr. Brosius of Pennsylvania did not vote. The members not present were Gantz of Ohio, Bussy, and Henderson of Illinois.

The bill as agreed upon provides that National banks, upon deposit of interest-hearing United States bonds, shall be entitled to receive circulating notes to the full par value of the bonds deposited. At present 90 per cent, is the limit. Section 2 reduces the tax on National bank circulation from one-half to one-quarter on one per cent. each half year. Section 3 repeals the Sherman Silver Bullion Furchase act. Section 4 is the Cate amendment, and amends the coinage section of the Sherman act so as to read as follows:

That the Secretary of the Treasury shall con the sandard allyer foliars so much of the silver bullion

narrowly escaped drowning while skating on the river a day or two ago, has been cutting another caper. He read in the newsapers that visitors had been kept away from the White House for the past few weeks by the scarlet fever warning on the front door. This notice impressed the juvenile statesman so deeply that he houng a similar sign on the door knob of his father's house, where it was not discovered for an entire day. Then the precedous youth explained that he thought the plan a good one for keeping at a distance from the Senator's residence undesirable visitors from South Dakota and elsewhere.

Congressman Cummings laughed heartily editorial in the Washington Post hauling his Committee on the Library over the coals for not acting upon the resolution providing for an investigation of the charge that Representative Henry Cabet Lodge induced certain clerks in the Department of State to favor him with manuscripts on file in the department, to the exclusion of other persons in search of like historical information. The occasion of Congressman Cummings's mirth today was the fact that soon after the resolution calling for investigation was referred to the Committee on the Library he summoned Editor Hatton of the Post, who made the original charge, to appear before the committee and tell his story. editorial in the Washington Post hauling his

Senator Kyle does not hesitate to say that he wants to see the Democratic party in control of the Senate. In conversation with the corof the senate. In conversation with the cor-respondent of The Sun to-day Senator Kyla-said he had seen a statement in one of the morning papers to the effect that Senator Peffer and himself had agreed to vote with the Democrats in the reorganization of the Senate, with the understanding that the Popu-list Senators will have the maming of the new Sergeant-at-Arms, but he knew nothing of any such combination.

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While the fire in Elizabeth street was at its height yesterday morning a tail, powerfully be built old man forced his way through the fire lines in Canal street. Ho was stopped by the lines in Canal street. Ho was stopped by the lines in Canal street. Ho was stopped by the lines in Canal street. Ho was stopped by the lines in Canal street. Ho was stopped by the lines in Canal street. Ho was stopped by the lines in Canal street. Ho was stopped by the lines in Canal street in the lines and the lines at the foreign the benerating the benerating the benerating the lines and the lines at the former has seldon been seen on the benefit of the lines and that he allow the lines are lines at the former has seldon been seen on the benefit of the lines and the lines are lines and the lines are lines and the lines are lines at the former has seldon been seen on the benefit of the lines and the lines are lines and the lines are lines and the lines are lines at the former has seldon been seen on the benefit of the lines and the lines are lines at the four lines and the lines are lines at the four lines

Ex-Speaker Reed has given away the secret of his ability to count a quorum in the Fiftyfirst Congress, when so many of the member were in the cloak room. He and Representa-tive Sherman Hoar were talking of the matter the other day before the House began its ses-sion, and Mr. Hoer asked for an explanation. "Come here and I will show you." said Mr.

"tome here and I will show you," said Mr. Reed.

He led Mr. Hoar up into the Speaker's place and showed him how he could stand there and look through a door into the cloak room on the Democratic side and could see a large mirror which brought into view nearly every square foot of space in the room.

"It was useless," said Mr. Reed, "for a Democrat to attempt to keep from being counted and recorded as present by going in there. I could see him as plainly as if he had remained in his seat on the tioor."

Mrs. John G. Carlisle this afternoon en phatically denied the published statement. purporting to be on her authority, that Senator Carlisle has made up his mind to decline the invitation of the President elect to accept the Treasury portfolio. She said that up to Saturday night, when the Senator left Washington for Kentucky, he was still uncertain whether to accept or decline.

"It is said that you oppose the Senator going into the Cabinet," remarked the reporter.

"Well." she responded. "I would prefer that he remain in the Senate, but personally I have no very great objection to his going into the Cabinet. He does not know what he is going to do himself. He always had a way of having his own way about things. He doesn't make many mistakes and I guess he won't this time. You can depend upon it that he will be his own adviser, and when he makes up his mind what to do he won't ask me or any one else whether we like it or not." purporting to be on her authority, that Sen

Commissioner of Pensions Raum appeared before the Deliciency Sub-Committee of the hefore the Deliciency Sub-Committee of the House Appropriation Committee tq-day and explained his estimates for pension deficiencies. His first estimate was over \$10,000,000, and the committee was somewhat surprised when he informed them to-day that he now estimated this deficiency at something over \$13,800,000. He gave the pension payment for the first half of the year, and made an argument to show that if the payment for the second half averaged as much his first deficiency.

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THE GOULD GUARDIANS' FEES.

peared before Surrogate Ransom yesterday to

oppose a motion to grant fees of \$3,000 to

Gould, to look after their interest in regard to

Judge Dillon and Mr. Goodwin both argued

that the amount claimed was excessive. Eu-

the special guardian to name the sum that in

A DEFECTIVE SIGNAL THE CAUSE.

Haven Collision.

General Manager Toucey of the New York

unattached engine.
The "spectacle" is a metal disc, from the

centre of which a circular pieco several inches

in diameter has been removed. The aperture

In diameter has been removed. The aperture is filled in with a plate of colored glass. The signal lantern itself shows a white light, and when it is desired to display a danger signal the disc containing the red glass is dropped in front of the lantern. In the case of interlocking switches, such as are used at Mott Haven, the red disc is dropped by the movement of the lever which throws the switch to which the signal belongs, and an automatic signal is given in the lever cabin that the switch is properly sot.

switch is properly sot.

The lever man received the return signal all right on Friday night and did not suspect that there had been any hitch, as the signal lights are not visible from his eabin by reason of two bridges. As the disc did not fall so as to cover the face of the lantern the latter of course showed a white light. Mr. Toucey has not yet learned whether the lantern door was not properly closed by the man who lighted it, or whether it was shaken open by the wind.

WITH \$1,000,000 CAPITAL.

Warner Miller Interested in a Company In

corporated in Newark Yesterday.

The New York and European Investment company was incorporated in Newark yesterday with a capital stock of \$1,000,000 divided

into 19,900 shares, of which 1,900 shares are to be common stock of a par value of \$100 per

share, and the remainder are founder shares of n par value of \$1 each, and there are 10,000 of them.

TALMAGE TO HAVE AN ASSISTANT.

Who Will Make Pustoral Culls and Leave

Him More Time to Lecture.

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nacle in the person of the Rev. Chandler A.

Oakes of Stroudsburg. Pa. The Rev. Mr. Oakes

Oakes of Stroudsburg. Pa. The Rev. Mr. Oakes is 28 years old, and was graduated from the linion Theological Seminary two years ago. His salary will not be fixed by the trustees until he has had a few months' trial Mr. Oakes, it is expected, will relieve Dr. Talmage from all the drudgery of pastoral visitation, and leave him to do all the preaching and devote more time to lecturing tours.

Actor Kent Gets a Summons for His Dog. Yesterday afternoon a young man with a fur

to the Yorkville Police Court. He looked so

lustered that everybody thought he'd come to

flustered that everybody thought he'd come to testify at the Parkhurst investigation. Ho buttonholed one court officer after another, and finally left with a summons and a policeman. Then it became known that he was only an actor who had lost a dog. Another man had found the animal and wouldn't give him up without a summons. S. Miller Kent was the loser and Louis Caney, a dressmaker of 25 West Forty-second street, was the man who had the dog. Mr. Kent is playing in "Aristocracy" at l'almer's Theatre. He has regained possession of his dog.

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The Rev. Dr. Talmage, who has just entered

Lawyers Mapes and Morgan, who were ap-

estimate would have to be increased by over \$3,000,000. The committee, after hearing his statement, informed him that he would have to submit a supplemental estimate showing the need for the required addition. MORPHINE KILLED MUNDT, Drug Clerk Nichols on Trial for Selling the Potson for Quintne. Thomas C. Nichols, formerly a prescription

The President to-day sent to the Senate the following nominations: following nominations:
Lieut.-Col. Char es M. Terrell, Deputy Paymaster-General, to be Colonel and Assistant Paymaster-General.

Major James P. Cany, Paymaster, to be Deputy Paymaster-General, with a rank of Lieuteniant-Colonel, Paymaster-General, with a rank of Lieuteniant-Colonel. Colonel and Commissary of Subsistence.

The House World's Fair Committee will begin their hearings on the proposition to have the Fair open on Sundays to-morrow.

Contrary to expectation the Senate Judicary Committee to-day failed to order a favorable report upon the McCommanomination.

The House Committee on Inter-State and

Foreign Commerce to-day ordered a favorable report on a bill for the establishment of a national quarantine. The measure agreed unon is similar to the Harris bill, now under discussion in the Senate, and contains all the amendments to the Harris bill adopted by the Senate, up to and including Friday iast. The bill is reported as a substitute for the bill introduced in the House by Mr. Rayner of Maryland, and was agreed upon by sub-committees of the Senate Committee on Epidemic Discusses and the House Inter-State and Foreign Committee. The measure will be reported to the House by Mr. Rayner. report on a bill for the establishment of a na-

UNHAPPY PAIRS.

The report of Referes William H. Willis. finding that Fannie S. Woolsey is entitled to an absolute divorce from Edward J. Woolsey. and that she is not guilty of what he charge against her, has been affirmed by Justice Barrett of the Supreme Court.

Emma Brun, the candy dealer who last August had George Taylor arrested for swindling her out of \$2,000 by means of a Care Breton Railway Extension bond, but who failed to prosecute him after the arrest, is now accused by her husband of disappearing in his com-pany. Her husband, John Brun, a delicatesson dealer, of 2,214 Third avenue, wants a divorce, and he says that on Aug. 29 and Sent. 2 Taylor was with Mrs. Brun at the Continental Hotel in Newark, also later in Hoboken; and at the Grand Union Hotel in Stamford, Mrs. Brun defends the suit. On Friday Justice Ingraham, in the Supreme Court, awarded her course! \$100 fees, but would not give her ali-

Ingraham, in the Suprome Court, awarded her counsel \$100 fees, but would not give her alimony.

Justice Barrett has granted Lify Bannister alimony of \$25 a month and a counsel fee of \$50 in her action for absolute divorce from W. It. Bannister, a freeman. She names as corespondent Florence Ruddiman, whose husband also is seeking a divorce.

Helen V. Halsey obtained an absolute divorce from Henry Halsey, a lawyer, from Judge Dugro of the Superior Court yesterday after atrial in which Halsey put in no defence. When judge ment was announced against Halsey he asked Judge Dugro to give him the custody of the child. Judge Dugro to give him the custody of the child. Judge Dugro to give him the custody of the child. Judge Dugro to give him the custody of the child to the mother.

Dora Newberger obtained an absolute divorce in default from Henry Newberger in the Superior Court hast spring. Mrs. Newberger secured a certified copy of the decree and disappeared. Newberger turned up and had the default opened. When the case again came up he secured a divorce from her on her default, because Hobert Greenthal, counsel for Mrs. Newberger, could not flui his client, Newberger seere was opened yesterday on an affidayit of Greenthai that be has found his client, who wants it set aside.

Judge McAdam has granted Marchia Rolstein, who sued through her mother as guardian, an absolute divorce from David Rolstein.

MRS. SCHELL GETS CLARKE'S MONEY.

When both sides had rested vesterday in the contest over the will of Richard J. Clarke, the retired restaurant keeper, who left the bulk of

his fortune, estimated from \$110,000 to \$250, -000, to Mrs. Schell, Surrogate Ransom admitted the will to probate, saying: "I am satisfied that the testamentary papers before me were properly executed, that the

before me were properly executed, that the decedent had proper mental capacity, that they were the result of his free act, and that he was not under undue influence."

The announcement mede the eyes of Mrs. Schell, which had been tearful earlier in the day, clear up. George B. Clarke, 75 years old, the only one of the two contesting cousins who has attended the trial, was present at the time. The other, William J. Clarke, lives at Winooski, Vt.

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Wincoski, Vt.
When Lawyer William J. Mitchell, former counsel for Clarke, was asked about certain rents Mrs. Schell had collected for Clarke, Mrs. Schell arose and said excitedly:
"I can explain that."
"Sit down, madame," said the Surrogate, "you are not on the witness stand."
Neither of the contestants gets anything under the will. All of the property except \$18,750, including \$1.000 to Mrs. Schell's daughter. goes to Mrs. Schell.

NOT BREWER EICHLER'S WIDOW.

The Woman's Counsel Says She Married The contest over the will of John Eichler. brewer, was abandoned in court yesterday by Anna K. Eichler, who claimed to be the widow. She said she had married Eichler in 1852 in Germany, and she denied the validity of his marriage at a later date to his wife Marie, to whom he left his entire estate.

M. A. Lesser, counsel for the contestant, said that after an examination of all the facts in the case he was satisfied it a case of mistaken identity. His client had married another John Eichler in a different part of Germany and at a time when this Eichler was in this country. Asabel P. Fitch, counsel for Marie Eichler, said the unjust claim, which had been made once in the lifetime of Mr. Eichler, would have been shown to be false by about a hundred witnesses had the contest not been withdrawn. Probate Clerk Tinney, before whom the case was, said he would recommend that the Surrogate admit the will to probate.

Spinks Plays Balk-line Billiards. William Spinks, the California balk-line champion, played his initial match at balk line in this city last evening at Daly's Parisian pariors, 1,292 Broadway. He had for his oppouent Maurice Daly, and was defeated by the latter by 200 to 82 points. Daly ran his game out in eighten innings. Spinks exhibited great nervousness during the contest.

The result was somewhat of a surprise, as the Californian in a private match defeated Daly on last Yriday, so that a much closer contest was looked for.

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CAUGHT HIM LIKE A MUSKRAT

A GROCER INVENTS A BURGLAR TRAP WHICH WORKS LIKE A CHARM.

The Thief Couldn't Help Walking Into It, and He Was There for Keeps Until Help Came-A Pistol that Was Provided to Put Him Out of His Misery Falled to Go Of. Sr. Louis, Jan. 9.-The most unique capture of a burglar ever made in St. Louis

was effected this morning before day-light in the grocery store of R. Tegethoff at 700 O'Falion street. Tegethoff has four stores in St. Louis, and has been the victim of a number of burglaries. He invented a thief trap. Albert Williams, who has served two terms for burglary and was recently released from prison, is to-night in jail with one leg nearly ruined from the hold which the thief trap's teeth got on it. His yells of pain while in the trap brought police-men to the store. They could not release clerk in Glockner's pharmacy, at Eighth the inventor was brought from his home a avenue and 120th street, was put on trial yesterday in the General Sessions, before Recordwhich is protected during the day, but left so or Smyth, upon an indictment charging him that a trifling weight will force it open during with manslaughter in the second degree, in the night. When stepped upon this falls causing the death of Martin Mundt of 266 West 121st street, by giving him ten grains of movable bar, much after the style of the movable bar, much after the style of the cutter bar of a mowing machine, bristing with spikes, to which is attached by means of wire ropes and bulleys several large stones, weighing atout sixty-five pounds. Facing this is a stationary bar, also spiked, and it is between these two formidable rows of teeth that Williams's leg was held. These are placed between two joists in the ceiling of the ceilar, and when they are in position they are held open by the trap door. As the trap door falls the weights built he movable bar forward with great force, in such a manner that the object disturbing the trap door cannot fail to be caught. The bars to which this is attached are notched, and as they move forward are locked upon the other side of the joist. In addition to holding the burglar's leg, the trap as its falls bulls down a small board which the sirpports a brick, which is in turn attached to the trigger of a pistol in the store above, and is pointed so that when discharged it shoots straight across the hole in which the victim's leg is held. Last hight the cartridge in this pistol missed fire, or burglar Williams would have been shot dead. Williams said of his experience:

"The floor gave way, and I began slipping into the cellar, but was caught like a flash by two iron bars with sharp teeth, which stabbed right into my leg to the bone. The lars held my leg near the knee, and I could not escape. The pain was terrible, and it seemed as if I was held there all night. The more I moved the worse the trap lacerated my leg and increased the pain.

"There was a 44-calibre gun set so that it pointed directly toward my head and body. It did not go off. If it had I would have been blown to pieces. suinhate of morphia instead of ton grains of sulphate of quinine, on the evening of June sulphate of quinine, on the evening of June 25 last.

Arthur M. Mundt, Martin's brother, testified that he and Martin went to Glockner's for quinine. Nichols put up what appeared to be ten grains of quinine in a piece of paper, enclosed the paper in an envelope, scaled it, and marked the nevelope "sulphate of quinine, lugrains." When they got home, Martin swallowed the powder in half a glass of water and went to bed. At 7 o'clock next morning he was dead.

Sigmund Mundt, another brother, testified that just before Martin's death W.(Sigmund) he, and Arthur Mundt went to Glockner's pharmacy and asked Nichols what he had put in the paper. Nichols looked at a tin box, and then put his hands to his head and exclaimed: "My God, I have made a mistake! I have given 10 grains of sulphate of morphipe instead of 10 grains of sulphate of upinine." Adam Breitner, a clerk, who stood near Nichols, added carelessly: "Oh, 10 grains of sulphate of upinine will not kill him, any way."

Drs, Sheppard, Rixe, and Tacheppe testified way.

Drs. Sheppard, Rixe, and Tscheppe testified that Martin died of morphine poisoning. The trial was then adjourned until to-day. At the inquest the drug clerks denied that any mistake was made in the drug store.

Contest as to the Amounts Claimed by Messrs, Mapes and Morgan, Ex-Judge Dillon and Lawser Goodwin ap-

DATED HIS CHECKS AREAD.

pointed special guardians respectively of the infant children of Jay Gould and George And Decamped with \$6,000 He Owed Refore
They Became Duc. Charles G. Hoerner, a confectioner, living at 326 Floyd street, Williamsburgh, left his home the day before Christmas with a satchelful of money which he told his wife he was going to gene S. Ives, who appeared for Mr. Morgan, said that it was customary in such cases for deposit in the Broadway Bank at Graham avenue and Broadway. He did not return, and it came to light yesterday that he had swindled more than fifty well-known business men by borrowing money from them and giving bad checks dated shead in payment.

the special guardian to name the sum that in his opinion his services were worth. Mr. Morgan had done so, but would be satisfied with whatever compensation the Court allowed.

Mr. Mapes, on his own behalf, called the attention of the Court to the large responsibility that had been placed on him. It would have been to the interest of his wards the infant children of Jay Gould) had the probate of the will been rejected, and he had devoted much care to the determination of the question whether it could be successfully contested. He had decided that it could not.

The Surregate in reply said that the responsibility of Mr. Majess was greater than that of Mr. Morgan, as it would undoubtedly have been for the interest of his wards if the probate of the will could have been rejected, but he was in doubt as to the justice of the amounts claimed. He therefore took the affiday is presented and reserved his decision. For several years Hoerner was confidential clerk in a produce house in Chambers street, this city. Four months ago he made the acquaintance of Peter Backenberg, a music reacher, who is the organist of a German church in Throop avenue, near Broadway, and a member of the Arlon and other singing societies. The two became bosom friends, and when Hoerner said he wanted to go into the confectionery business Backenberg offered to The Result of the Investigation of the Mott entral explained yesterday that the Mott Haven accident on Friday night was due to the fact that the "spectacle" caught on the door of the signal lamp, so that the danger light was not seen by the engineer of the

when Hoerner said he wanted to go into the confectionery business Backenberg offered to help him financially. He lonned Hoerner \$1.250, and Hoerner opened a store in Broadway and Dittmarr street. Through his acquaintance with Backenberg, Hoerner met many men prominent in German social affairs. He borrowed money from them, promising to pay them back during the holidays, Just before Christmas he sold out his business. Several persons who had lent him money asked him to pay up. To all these creditors Hoerner sent checks drawn on the Broadway Bank and payable on the first day of January.

On the day before Christmas Hoerner met Backenberg and filled out a check for \$1.250, also on the Broadway Bank. Hoerner told his friend not to deposit the check until the Tuesday following Christmas. When the men parted, Hoerner went home and counted nearly \$6,000 in his wife's presence. He took all the money she had and put it in the satchel. He kissed his wife good-by, and, after telling her he was going to the bank and would return in an hour, he went away. His failure to come back alarmed his wife, and upon inquiring at the bank she learned that he had not been there. Information which she received the next day convinced hor that he had tot heen there. Information which she received the next day convinced hor that he had gone to Germany. She and her children are left penniless. When the checks Hoerner gave his triends were deposited in bank, it was found that before going away Hoerner had drawn all his money excepting \$5.10.

EXPLOSION OF GLANT POWDER. The Report Heard Twenty Miles Away, but No Oue Hurt.

DOVER, N. J., Jan. 9.-At 10 o'clock this morning there was a terrific explosion in the Foreite Powder Works at Lake Hopatcong. Fifteen minutes later there was another explosion and the building was completely shattered. The report of both explosions was heard distinctly twenty miles away. windows in some of the houses in the neigh-

borhood were smashed, and the ground about trembled as if shaken by an earthquake. It is said that the 350 pounds of giant powder which was stored in the building was blown up. There was no loss of life and no one was in-There was no loss of life and no one was injured.

The officers of the works refused to assign
any cause for the explosion, but it is said that
a fire in the sawmill, which is on the premises, set the powder off.
The loss, it is thought, will not be more than
two or three thousand dollars. of a par value of \$1 each, and there are 10,000 of them.

I've per cent, of the annual net profits of the company will be set aside as a reserve fund, after which each share shall be entitled to non-cumhative annual dividends of 7 per cent, upon the amount paid up upon such shares.

The names of the stockholders, with the number held by each, are as follows:

Warner Millered Herkimer 2; Williard Brown of this city, 2; William Irwin Martin and C. M. Wiecker of this city, 2 each, and George P. Sheldon of Greenwich, Conn., and John W. Taylor of Newark, 1 each.

Plood May Have Been Murdered.

Deputy Coroner Weston held an autopsy vesterday in the case of John Flood, who was found unconscious in front of 339 East Eightyeighth street on Saturday morning and who fied in the Presbyterian Hospital a few hours siled in the Prosbyterian Hospital a few hours later. The result seems to show that Flood met his death by violonce, and not by a fall, as the police have hitherto believed. The autopsy disclosed a fracture extending from the right eye to the base of the skul, and the Deputy Coroner says that it would be next to impossible to receive such a fracture by falling. In addition to this injury there were two bruises on the left side and back of the head. Dr. Weston decided that death was caused by a fracture of the skull, the result of a blow.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 9.- The steamer Mary Houston, tied up at the foot of Main street unable to longer withstand the terrible crush of ice, began to sink at 2 o'clock this noon. An immense ice floe drove the steamer against the wharf boat. Then the Houston settled, and immediately the rush of water into her hold could be heard. The pumps were manned, but at 6 octock she gave a plunge forward and sank. The Houston was one of the largest and finest steamers in the New Orleans-Cincinnati trade.

Commander Leary Houored by Maryland. Annapolis, Jan. 9.-After the electoral college adjourned to-day Gov. Brown entertained Mansion. Before the dinner Gov. Brown pre-Mansion. Before the dinner Gov. Brown pre-sented the handsome gold watch awarded by the Legislature to Commander L. Learr, U. S. N., for his heroism and gallant services in pro-tecting and vindicating American rights dur-ing the revolution in Samoa in 1898. Commander Leary thanked the Governor and people of Maryland for the gift.

Compromise Probable on the Western Mary.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 9 .- Chief Arthur and President Hood of the Western Maryland Railroad Company held a long conference to-day and failed to reach an agreement regarding wages for the engineers. They will meet again to-morrow, and Mr. Atthur expects a settlement. He said this evening that there would probably be a compromise of pay and time.

News of the Wheelmen. Waiter Sanger, the Milwaukee racer who aspires to defeat Zimmerman, has expressed his invention of going to Empland to compete in the N. C. U. champton-ships this year.

The Eirzabeth Wheelmen have elected the following officers: Fresident, J. F. Deemer; Vive-President, A. C. Ridley: Secretary, L. B. Ronnett; Tresaurer, A. W. Lukeus; Captain, A. F. Caulkins; Lieutenanta, G. H. Davey and A. G. Draha.

Chairman Raymond of the Racing Beard has suppended H. Lesuing of Chicago pending an investigation into his amateur standing. Harry F. Fetter of Carcy, O., is declared to have forfeited his amateur procedure for yielding of the amateur rule.

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There's a New Law that Makes This a Bad

Some gentlemen who made inquiry yesterday regarding assessments against them for personal property discovered that they had not taken into account the Devo bill passed by the Legislature last year, and that they will have to pay taxes which they have not heretofore paid. The Deyo bill says: No deduction shall be made or allowed for or on account of any debt or liability contracted or incurred in

the purchase of non-taxable property or securities owned by him (the person assessed), or held for his benefit, nor for or on account of any indirect liability as surety, guaranter, endorser, or otherwise, nor for or on account of any debt or liability contracted or incurred for the purpose of evading taxation . This makes the assessed individual liable for the amount of personal property owned by

him at the time the assessment became op-erative that is at midnight Jan. 9, and the new oath which is put to a man who desires to swear off" is as follows: "swear off" is its follows:

I hereby swear that on the second Monday of January
lisst the value of my personal property (exclusive of
bank shares) subject to taxation did not exceed \$-The Doyo bill was passed because it was al-

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Testorday was the first for swearing off personal assessments, and President Barker and Commissioner Parris of the Department of Taxes and Assessments were kept very busy examining applicants. Commissioner Clausen is ill and was unable to attend.

The first applicant ran foul of the Deyo bill. He was assessed for \$10.000. "I suppose I have until April 30 to attend to this matter, haven't I?" he asked of President Barker.

"Yes, you can make your affidavit at any time, but it will have to be as to the amount of taxable personal property you possess today." replied the Commissioner. "You may not have a penny April 30, but the assessment must stand if you have the property fo-day."

The gentleman was stumped, and concluded that he would let the assessment stand.

Several lawyers and the New York Tax Reform Association have been very busy for a week or nore sending notices of the operation of this law to persons habe to be assessed for personal property, so that they might put their houses in order for the first day of the revision and be ready to pay on what amount of personal property they pleased.

The Tax Reform Association. In its notice after quoting the Doyo law, comments:

This is a sample of what machief well-meaning isnorance may do at this session. Our educational work is to prevent more such laws. We need your help.

County Treasurer Sherrell's Title to Office Contested.

ALBANY, Jan. D .- Attorney-General Rosendale gave a hearing to-day on the application of Frank Hasbrouck, asking that an action in Isaac W. Sherrell, to test the title to the office claimed by the applicant that the majority for Sherrell was obtained by counting marked bailots which were said to have been rejected. These ballots were thrown out in the contest for the seat in the State Senate awarded to Senator Osborn. Counsel for Sherrell made a general denial.

Held for the Murder of the Four Denison

DENISON, Tex., Jan. 4. The examination of Joe Edwards, captured recently in Michigan and in juil at Sherman, the county seat of this county, charged with the murder of the four women in this city on the night of June 17 last, was ended to-day in Sherman. An expert compared the handwriting of Edwards with that of the anonymous letter which was received by Chief James of the Denison police three mouths ago, and in which the writer said that he had killed all of the women. The expert said the handwritings were identical.

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